

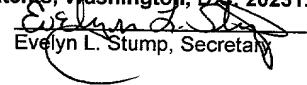
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Re: New U.S. Patent Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Andreas Jäger

APPARATUS FOR SECURING WATER AERATING DEVICES TO AIR SUPPLY
CONDUITS

Sir:

1. Please find enclosed herewith for filing: 7 pages specification, 3 pages (10) claims, 1 page abstract, combined declaration and power of attorney, and 1 page, 5 figures, drawings in support of the above identified application.
2. It is respectfully requested that this application be granted the priority date of August 21, 2000, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 100 41 147.9. A certified copy of said priority document will be filed later.
3. I am enclosing my check in the amount of \$710.00* to cover the official fees of:

Basic fee	\$710.00
Additional fees:	
Total number of claims in	
excess of 20 (# claims times \$18.00)	\$ 00.00
Number of independent claims in	
excess of 3 (# claims times \$80.00)	\$ 00.00
Assignment recording fee	\$ 00.00
TOTAL FEE	<u>\$710.00</u>

* It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and any fees required or any shortages of fees required be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Respectfully,



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